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Welcome to **STRANGE ACADEMY**, where the best and brightest young sorcerers are trained by the greatest magic users in the realm!

The dawn of a new school year draws near. The students who spent summer at the Academy are trying to soak up one final adventure this summer break.

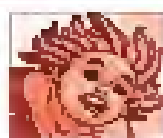
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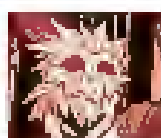
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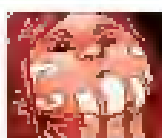
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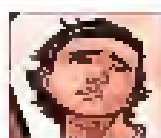
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LET'S PLAY A GAME



LET'S COUNT
HOW MANY
TIMES I LIE...

...TO THE PEOPLE
THAT I WANT TO
BE BEST
FRIENDS WITH!

HURRY UP, GUYS! WE'LL BE LATE FOR THE VAMPIRE TOUR!

HAVE I MENTIONED THAT I HATE--

VAMPIRE57
YES, GERMAN, ONLY
LIKE, TEN THOUSAND
TIMES. HAVE I MENTIONED
THAT I'M BORED OF
VAMPIRE57? THIS IS
SO TOURISTY!

DO YOU
THINK YOUR
FAMILIAR WILL
COME OUT FOR THE
TOUR? HE'S
SO CUTE!

OH, I DUNNO.
HE USUALLY
SLEEPS DURING
THE DAY.

ONE!

THAT'S IDEAL!
I'VE NEVER HEARD
OF A NOCTURNAL
FAMILIAR!

...AND THAT IS WHEN THE DEADEND VAMPIRE OF THE SWAMPLANDS ATTACKED!

I'M SORRY, PIA--THIS GUIDE IS MIA. SHOULD JUST LET ME GIVE YOU THE TOUR.

PIA HAS JOE MENTIONED THAT SHE'S FROM NEW ORLEANS FOR THE EIGHT HUNDREDTH TIME YET?

OH MAN-- I BET YOUR FAMILIAR IS LIKE ONE OF THOSE CREATURES THAT'S SUPER CUTE AND THEN GETS ALL EYE IN BATTLE AND JUST EATS DUDES WHOLE LIKE GNAW RAWRR CHOMP YAROO!

HAHA, YEP, PRETTY MUCH!

TWO!

THREE IF YOU COUNT THE SMILE. I'M WAY TOO NERVOUS FOR THIS SMILE TO BE REAL!

SHUT UP, YOU GUYS! HE'S GETTING TO THE GORY PART!

AND SO, EVERY NIGHT...

IT'S NOT MY FAULT I'M FROM THE GREATEST CITY ON EARTH, BRO.

BUT WHAT IF WE HEARD YOU THE FIRST TIME?

WHOA! THERE HE IS! BUT WAIT, YOU DIDN'T LIKE, PUKED HIM OUT?

MUH, THAT'S WEIRD!

OKAY, THAT IS WEIRD. IF TITO PEPING IS OUT...

UH...IS THERE ANOTHER STORM ROLLING IN? I DIDN'T GET A NOTIFICATION ON THE APP ABOUT IT.

...THAT MEANS SOMETHING IS WRONG.



HEY, GUYS? WHAT'S, UH, WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH...

VERY...



...THE TOUR GUIDE?

AAAAHHHH!

...VERY WRONG



OH, THIS IS EVEN WORSE THAN I COULD'VE IMAGINED.

OH, THE DEAD WANT TO COME OUT AND PLAY, HUH?

HEY, I'M DEAD!

YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN!

DON'T LET THEM BITE YOU!

OKAY, NO, BUT SERIOUSLY, I REALLY, REALLY DON'T LIKE VAMPIRES!



TOTH AND I WILL KEEP YOU AND THE NEW GIRL SAFE, RIGHT, TOTH--



GREEFAAGHHH!

AAAAHHH!





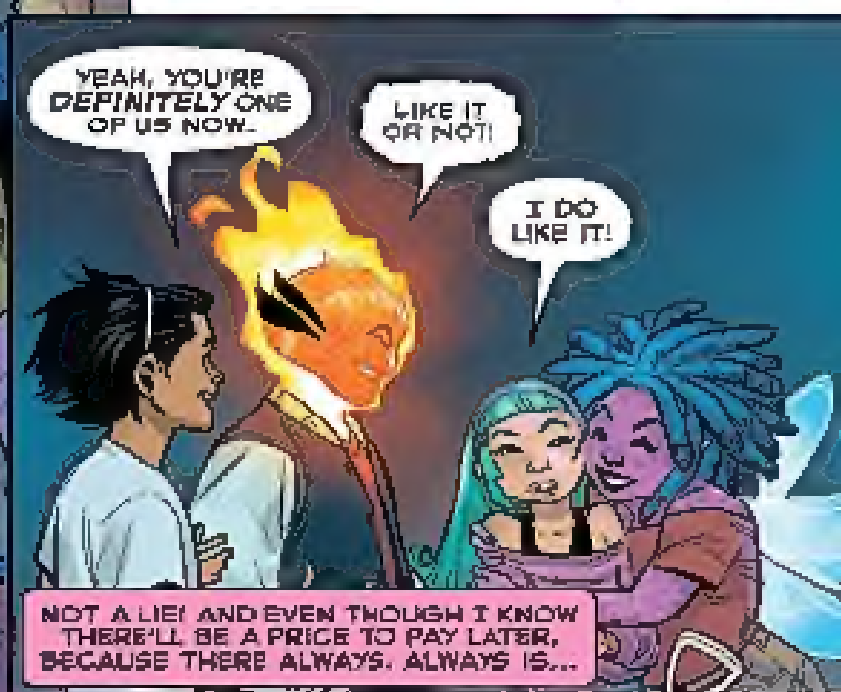
WOW,
I WAS WAY OFF!
HE'S DEFINITELY NO
GOOD IN A FIGHT.
HUH?

...BUT
YOU MISS PIA, ARE
INCREDIBLE!

I AM?
WELL, THERE'S
MORE THAN ONE
WAY TO SAVE
A LIFE!

AND ANYWAY,
IT'S JUST THAT
HE'S--

DOES IT STILL COUNT AS
A LIE IF YOU DON'T GET
TO FINISH SAYING IT...?





...WE
GOTTA
GO!

SEE?

ALWAYS
A PRICE.

LOTS OF VAMPIRES.
HUNT? YOU ARE READING
BLOOD HUNT, RIGHT?
--NUDGEY NICK

MINUTES
LATER...

QUICKLY
NOW!

SOMETIMES IT'S PAID
IN BLOOD, SOMETIMES
WITH YOUR SOUL...

BUT USUALLY
THE PRICE WE
PAY...

ALL
RIGHT THEN
PUPILS...

SHVOON

SHVOON

...FOR THE BRIEF
BIT OF HAPPINESS
BROUGHT BY ONE
LIE...

WE HAVE
WORK TO DO,
CLEARLY. EVERYONE
HEAD TO YOUR
CHAMBERS AND
GET CLEANED
UP.

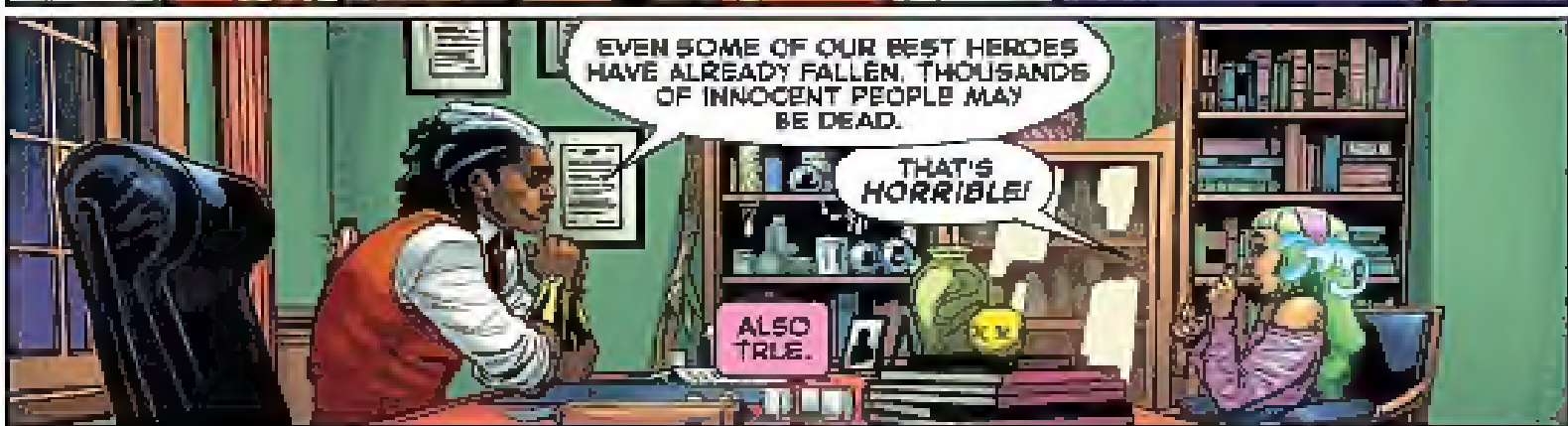
EXCEPT YOU,
PIA. PLEASE
COME TO MY
OFFICE.

...IT'S
SIMPLY...

WHAT WAS
THAT ALL
ABOUT?

I HAVE
NO IDEA!

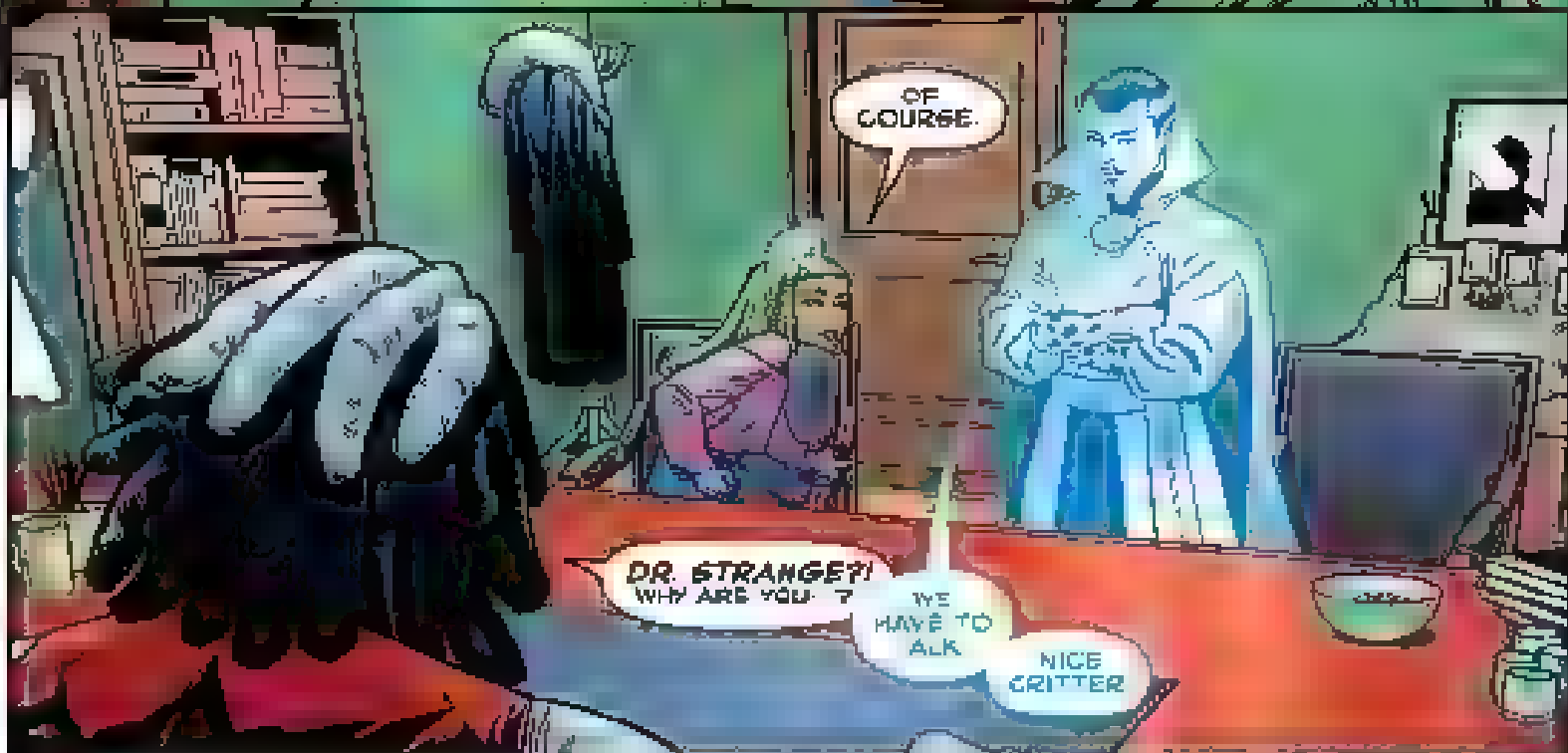
...MORE
LIES.





BUT
I DO

YOUNG LADY
MAY WE HAVE
THE ROOM?



OF
COURSE.

DR. STRANGER?
WHY ARE YOU?

WE
HAVE TO
TALK

NICE
CRITTER



UH,
THANKS.



WHA--OH:

WHA--OH:

I REALLY DON'T
KNOW WHAT THE
HELL'S GOING ON

IT'S
BLADE HE'S
ORGANIZED
SOME KIND OF
GLOBAL COUP

SWEET
HONEY OF
ERZULIE

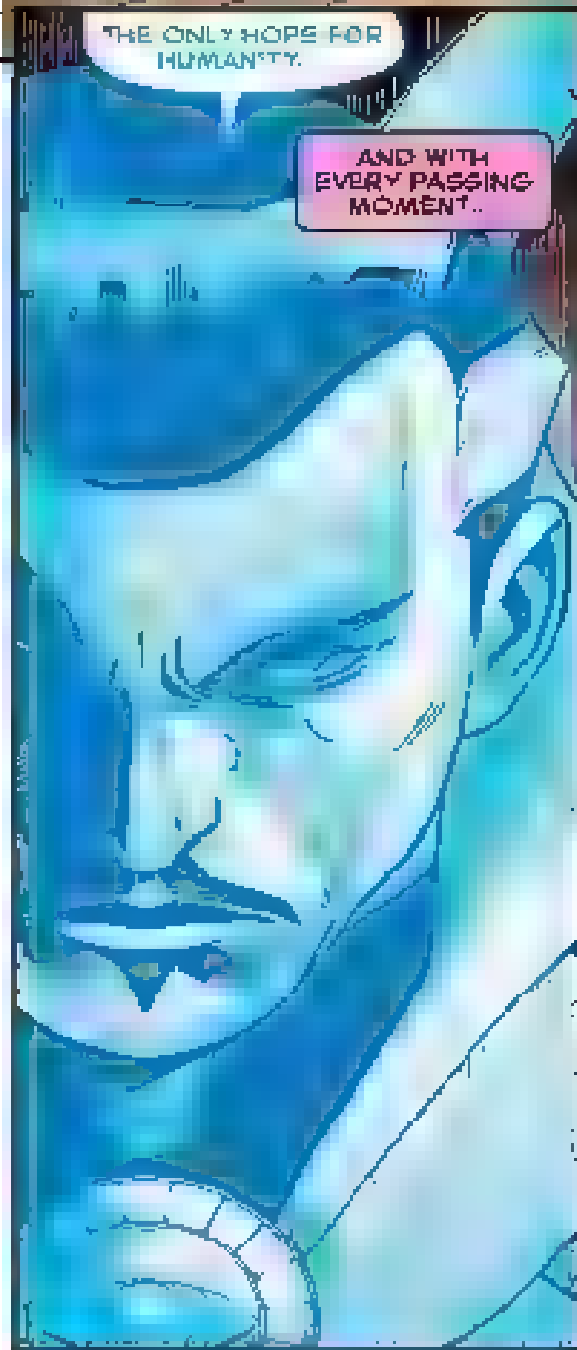
BLOTTED
OUT THE SUN
SENT HIS VAMPIRES
OUT ON A KILL
SPREE

I
STARTED
BAD.



THE ONLY HOPE FOR
HUMANITY.

AND WITH
EVERY PASSING
MOMENT...



THE MONTEGI
FORMULA

IT GETS
SO MUCH
WORSE.



WHAT?
ABSOLUTELY
NOT

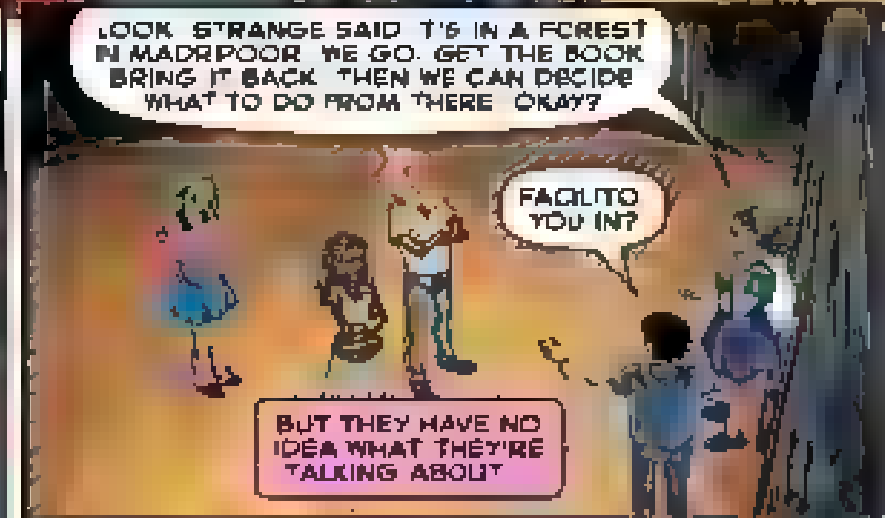
WE MUST
AND WE'LL NEED
THE DARKHOLD
TO DO IT

ASIDE FROM
THE ESSENCE IN
WANDAM WHO IS MISSING
I FELT A VAGUE IMPRINT
OF IT IN A FOREST ON
MADRIDPOOR.

I NEED
YOU TO -



FIGURE OUT WHAT HAPPENED
TO THE SCARLET WITCH IN
BLOOD HUNT #11 #12



WHAT KIND OF
POWER THEY'RE
ABOUT TO GET
MIXED UP IN.



YEAH. ALL
RIGHT BUT WE
BRING THE BOOK
DIRECTLY TO THEM
ONCE WE GET
BACK

ABSOLUTELY

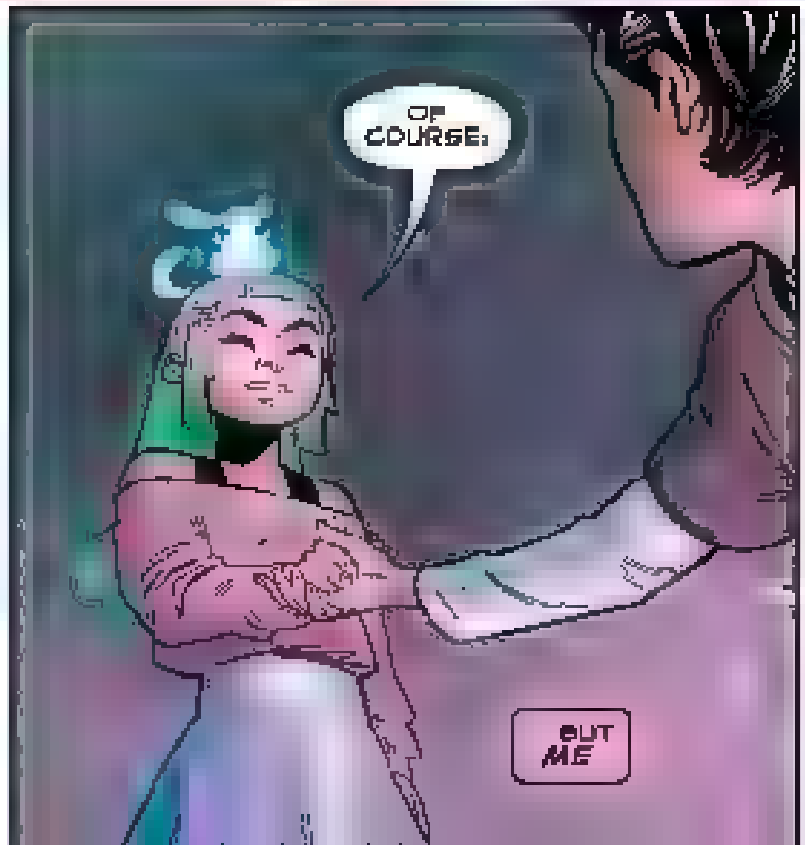


AND THERE'S
NO ONE HERE
TO STOP
THEM.

YOU
COMING? MIGHT
NEED SOMEONE
TO SAVE ME
AGAIN.



OF
COURSE.



BUT
ME



SO WHAT WE'RE JUST SUPPOSED TO LOOK FOR A BOOK? JUST LYING THERE IN THE DIRT?

THE GOOD NEWS IS, MOST OF MADRIPOOR IS TAKEN UP BY THE CITY, SO THERE'S NOT THAT MUCH GROUND TO COVER IN THE WILDERNESS.

JUST WATCH OUT FOR MORE VAMPIRES

IS IT A BIG CREEPY BOOK? ARE THERE PICTURES? CAN WE SEARCH ALPHABETICALLY BY AUTHOR?

DO WE EVEN KNOW THE DEWET DEC MAL NUMBER?!



YOU MAKE JOKES, DOYLE BUT IT'S NOT GOING TO BE SO FUNNY WHEN ALL OF HUMANITY IS A VAMPIRE SNACK.

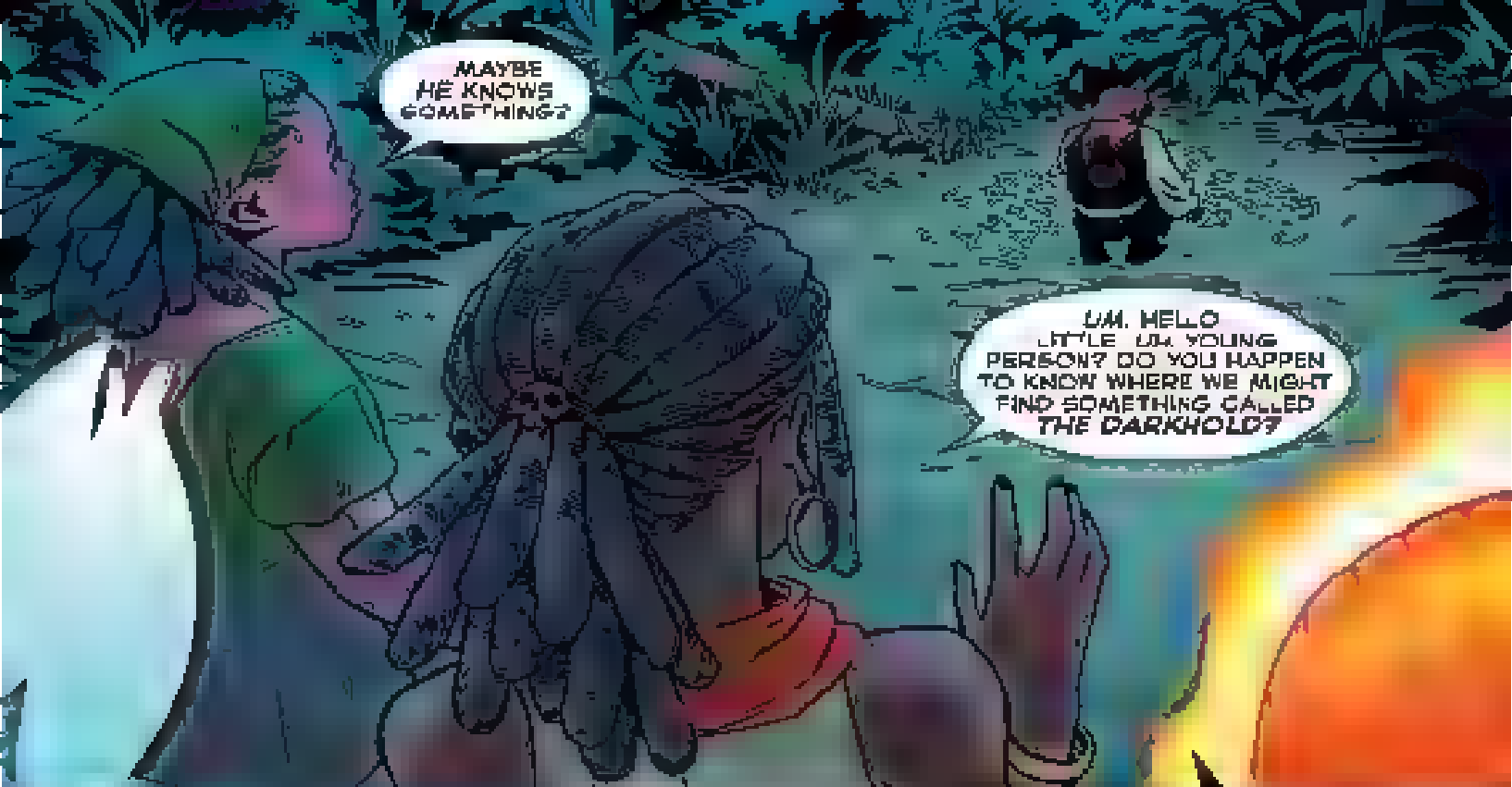
I PREFER TO THINK OF MYSELF AS A THREE-COURSE MEAL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

PLEASE, YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE BLOOD. DIDS. YOU'RE AN APPETIZER AT BEST

UH, GUYS?



THAT'S NOT A BOOK BUT



MAYBE
HE KNOWS
SOMETHING?

UM. HELLO
LITTLE UM YOUNG
PERSON? DO YOU HAPPEN
TO KNOW WHERE WE MIGHT
FIND SOMETHING CALLED
THE DARKHOLD?



EXACTLY WHAT AGATHA
ALWAYS SAID WOULD
HAPPEN. WHY EVEN
BOTHER ...?



UM.
WHAT?!

DID HE SAY
AGATHA?

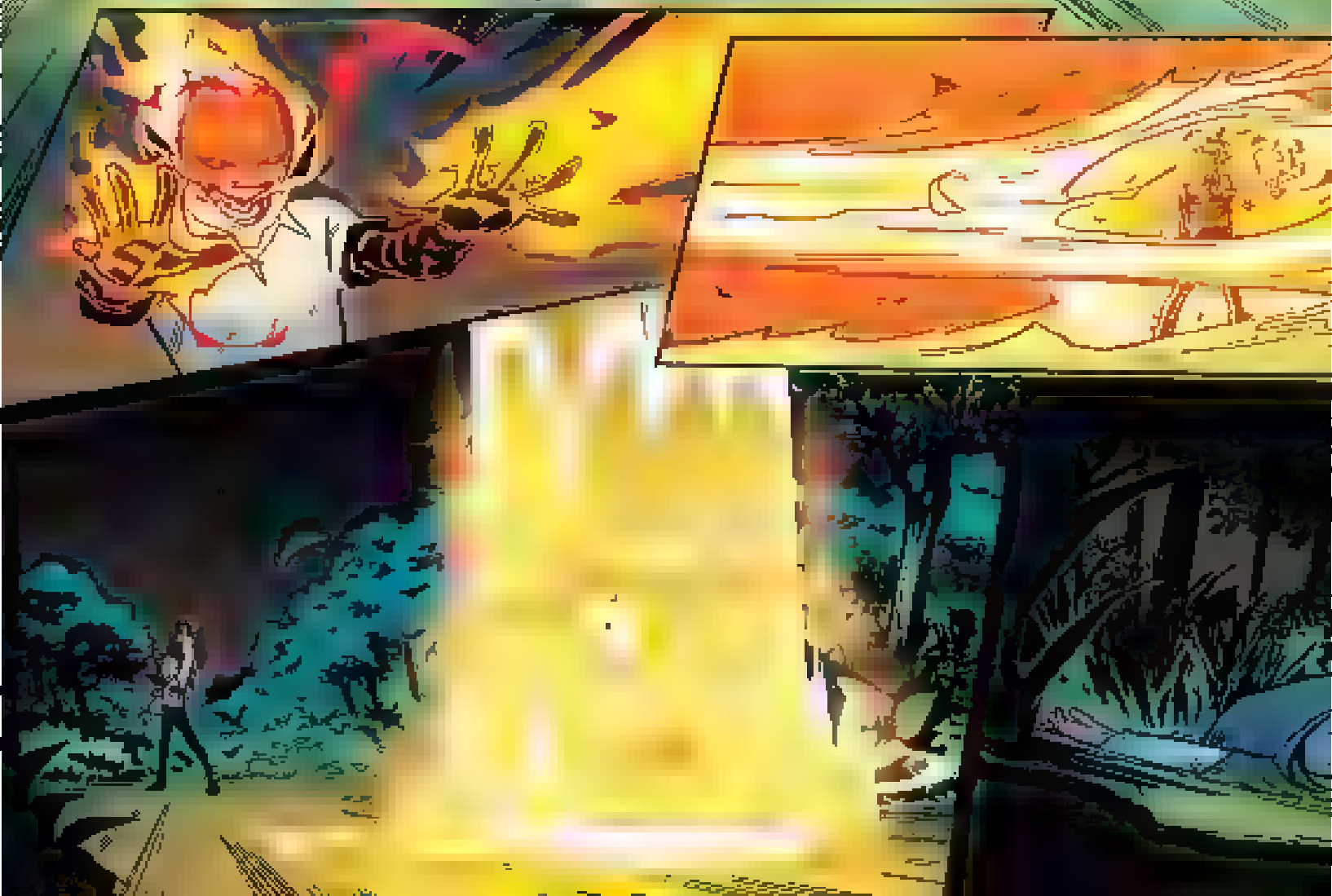
I SAID

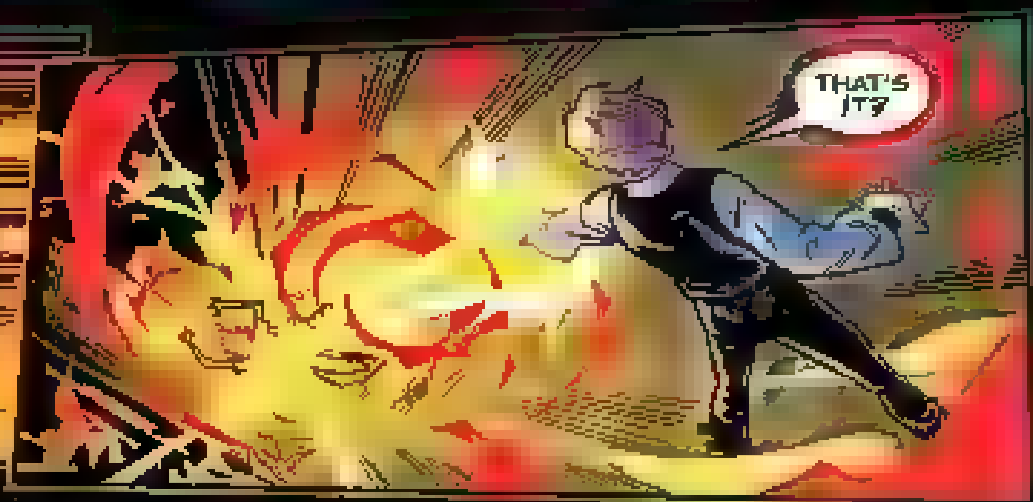
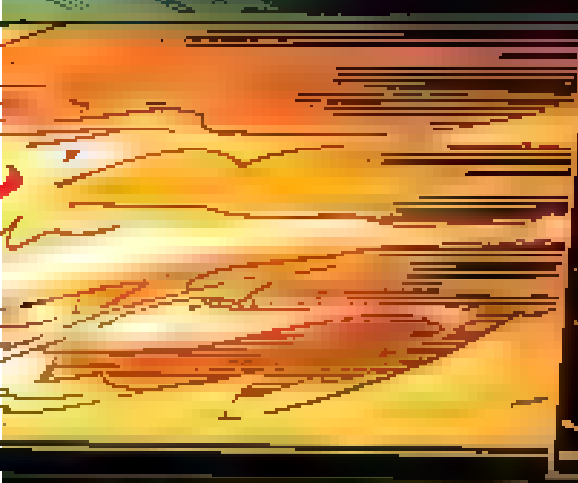
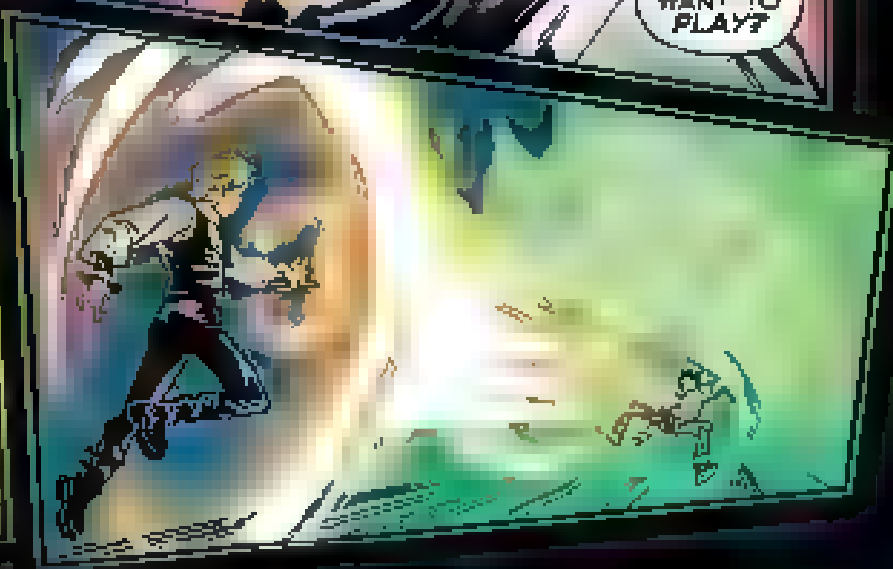
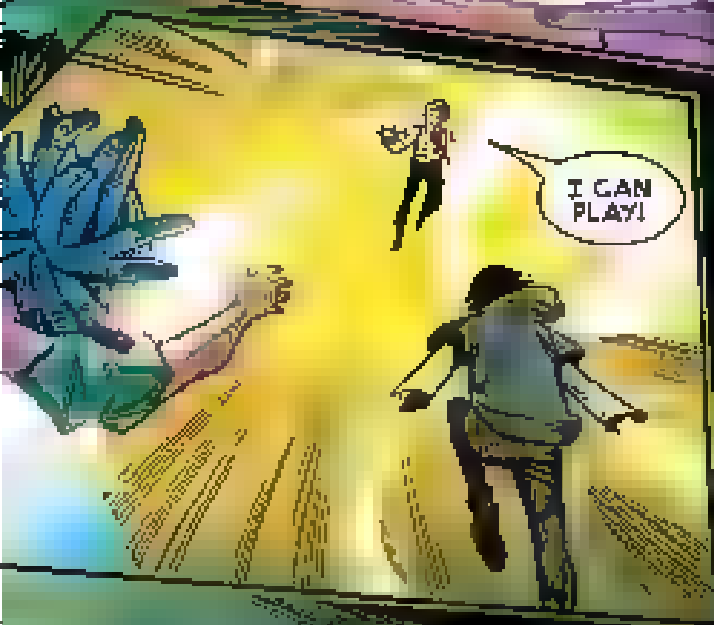
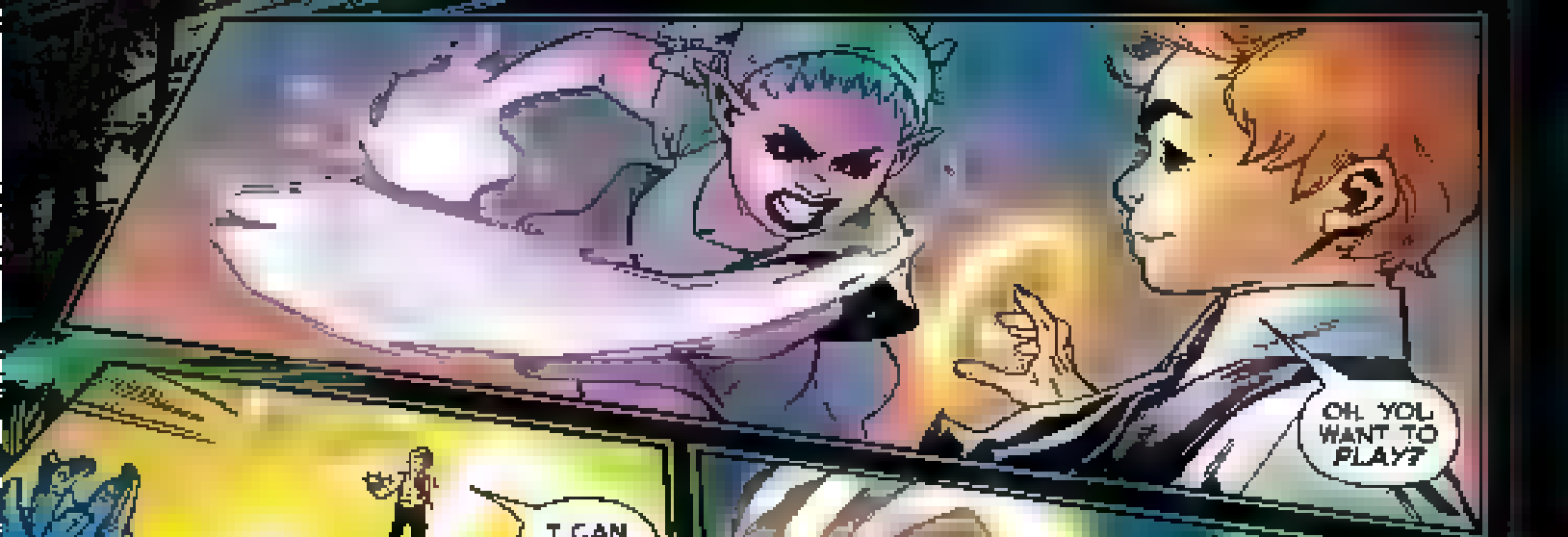


IF IT'S
THE DARKHOLD
YOU SEEK



YOU
FOUND
ME!







WELL
I GUESS THIS
MEAN--



BAWAWAWA

TITO
PEPING!
NO!

HUH?



RRRRRRRR!



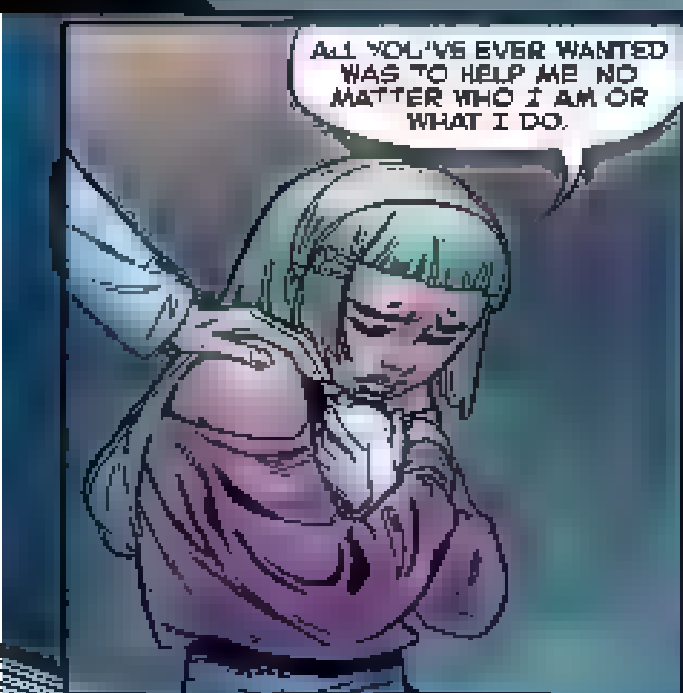
GROW

SHACK

ARUUUUUUU!



OH, TITO PEPING.



ALL YOU'VE EVER WANTED WAS TO HELP ME NO MATTER WHO I AM OR WHAT I DO.



THE NEXT THING THAT HAPPENS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN ANYWAY

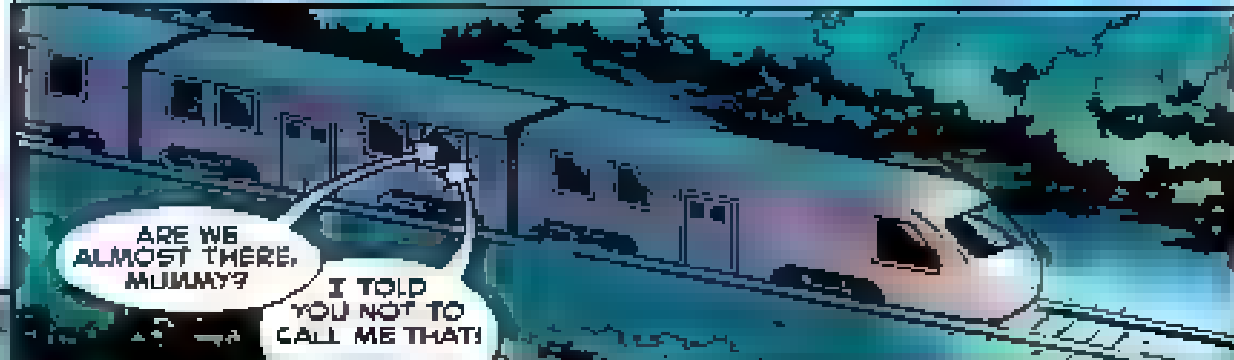


BUT NOW



...I DO
ENJOY IT!

TO BE CONTINUED...



ARE WE
ALMOST THERE,
MUMMY?

I TOLD
YOU NOT TO
CALL ME THAT!

NO, YOU
TOLD ME TO CALL
YOU THAT, MUMMY
AGATHA

YES, WHEN
OTHER PEOPLE
ARE AROUND,
BECAUSE
IT IS OUR
DISGUISE

SO PEOPLE
DON'T REALIZE
WE ARE ONE OF THE
WORLD'S PRE-EMINENT WITCHES
AND THE EMBODIMENT OF ONE
OF THE MOST DANGEROUS
BLACK MAGIC TOMES
EVER TO EXIST.

AH.



HERE
PLAY WITH YOUR
TIGER.

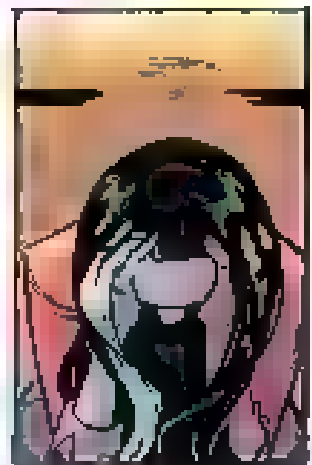
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PER FAVORE.

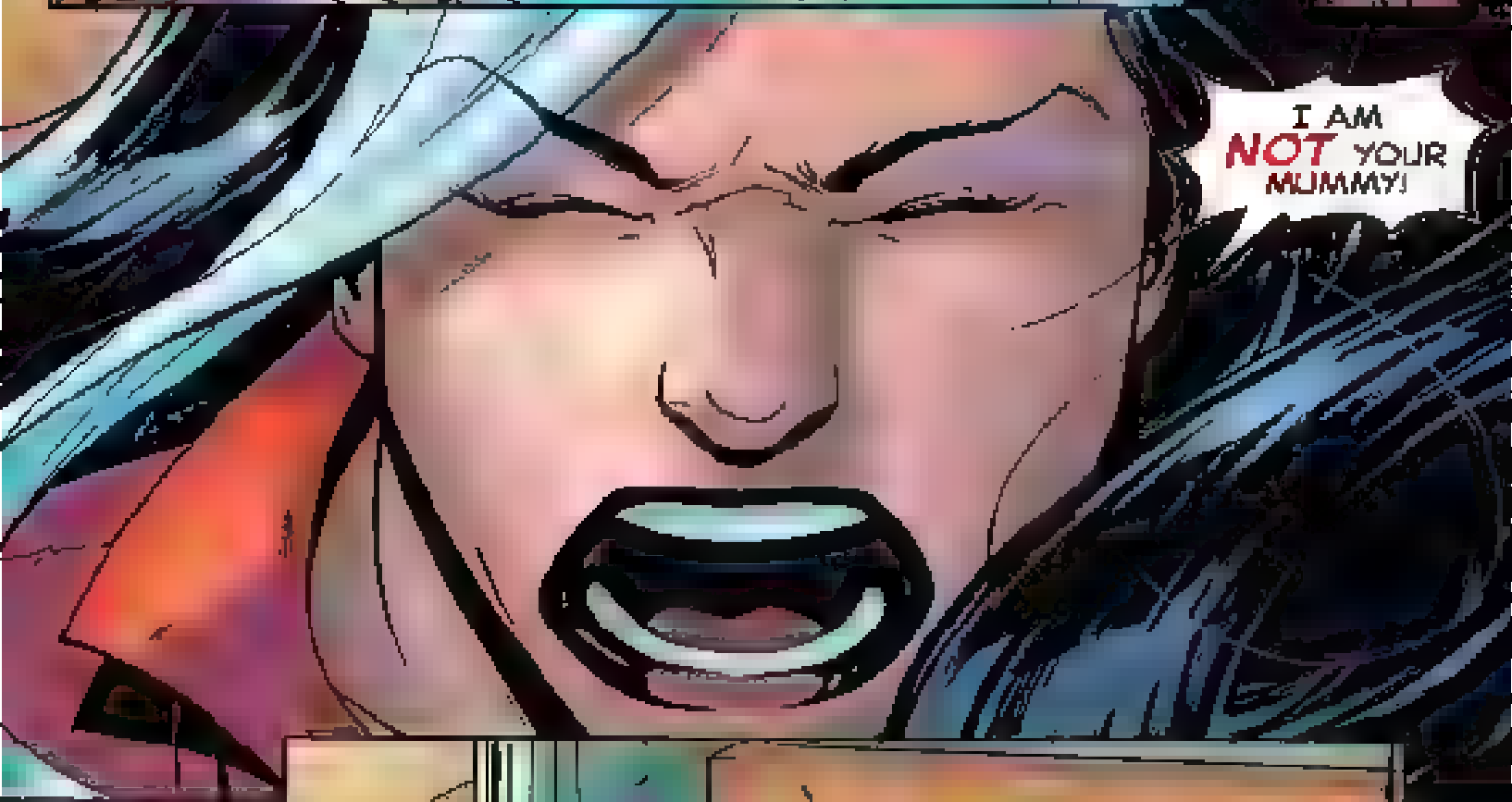
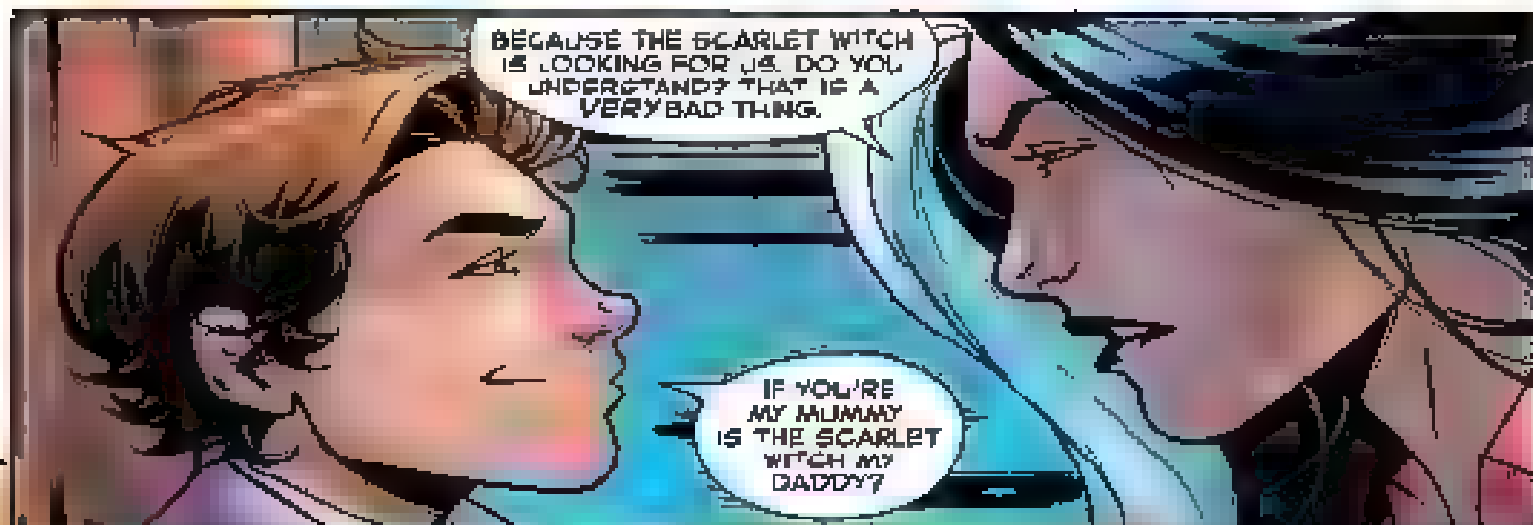
SO I'M
ONLY TO CALL YOU
MUMMY WHEN WE'RE
AROUND OTHER PEOPLE
BECAUSE IT'S OUR
DISGUISE.

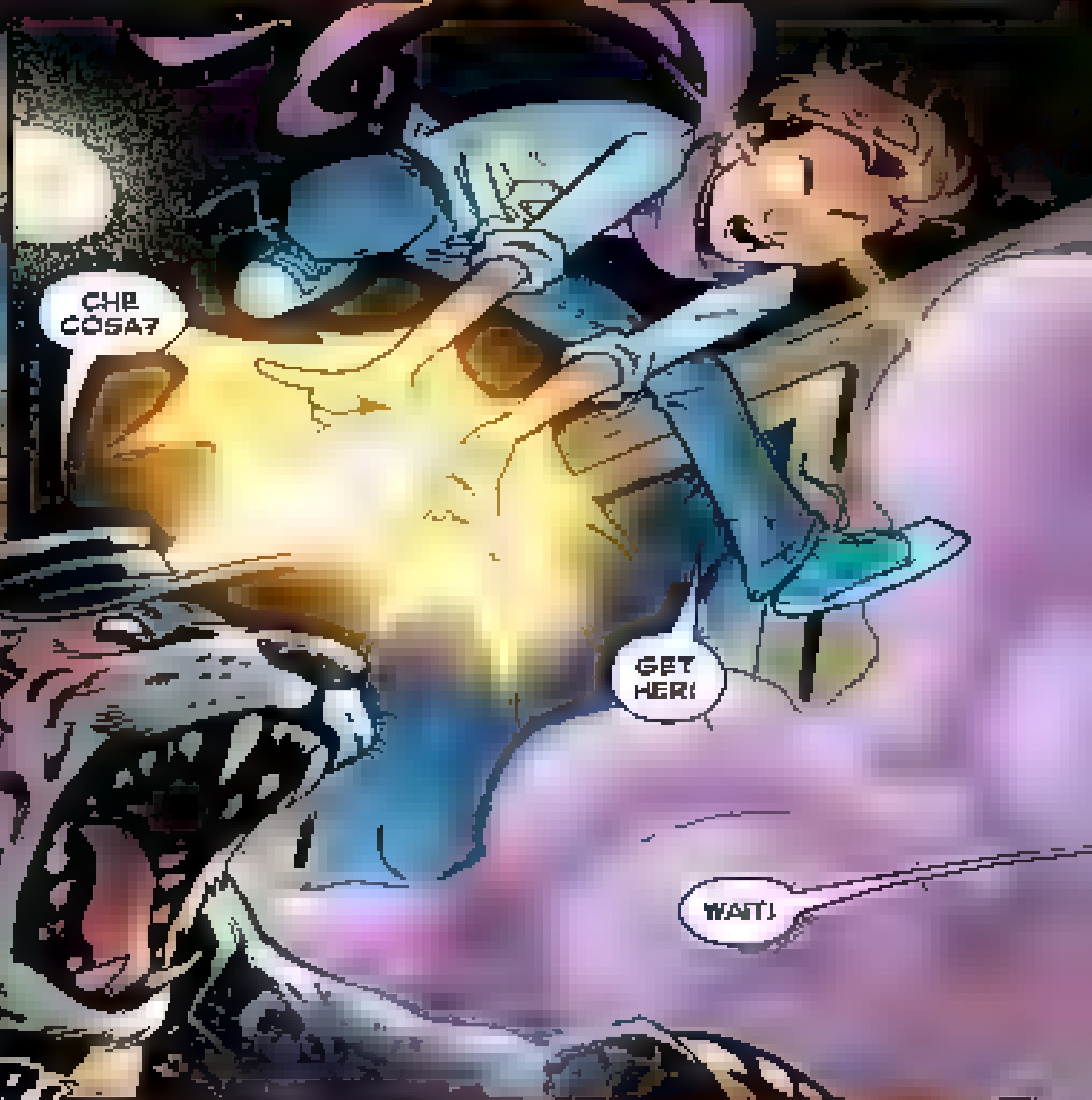
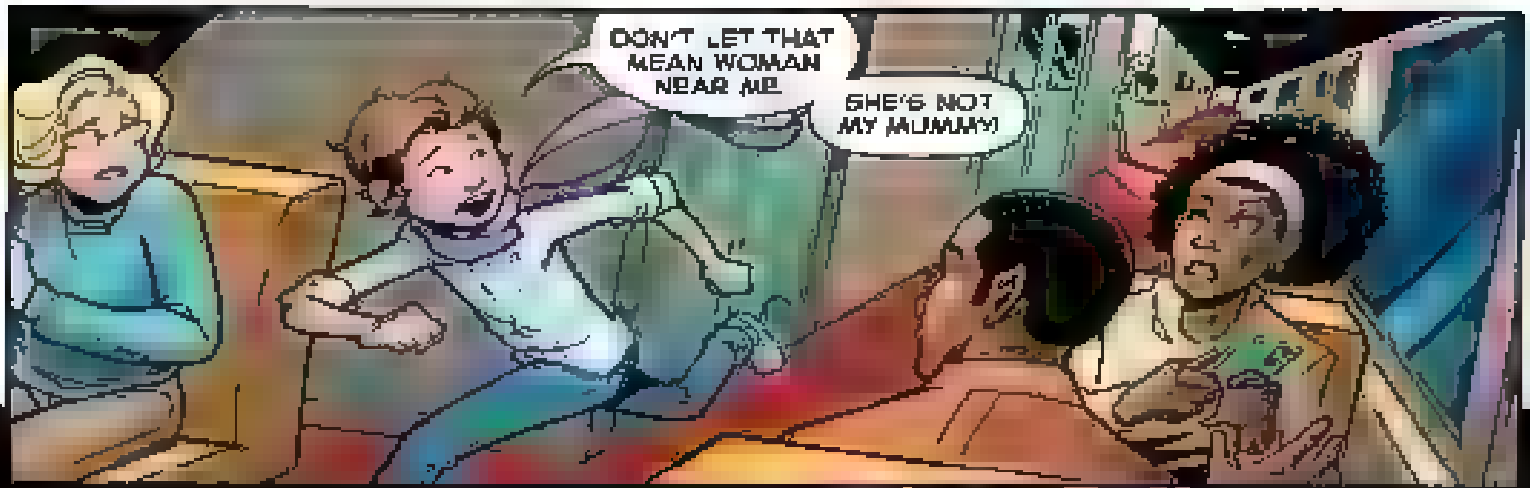
GOT
IT

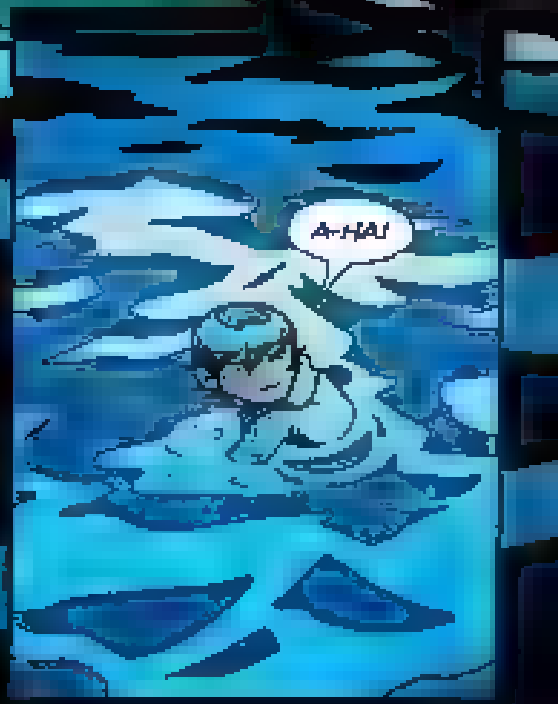
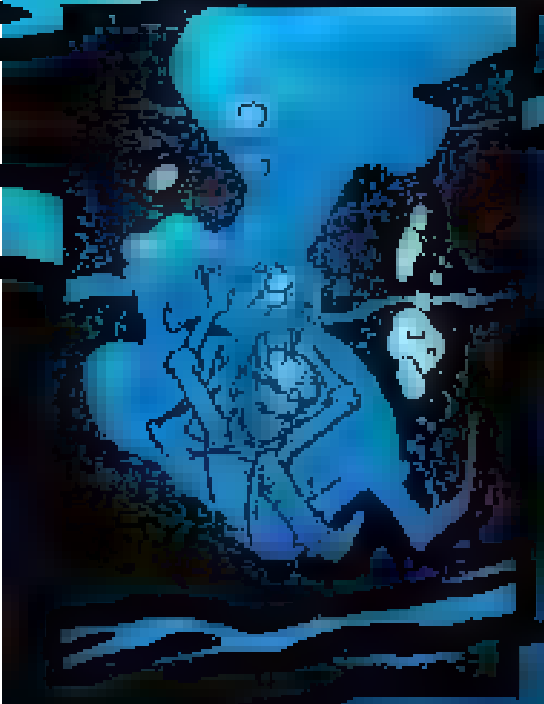
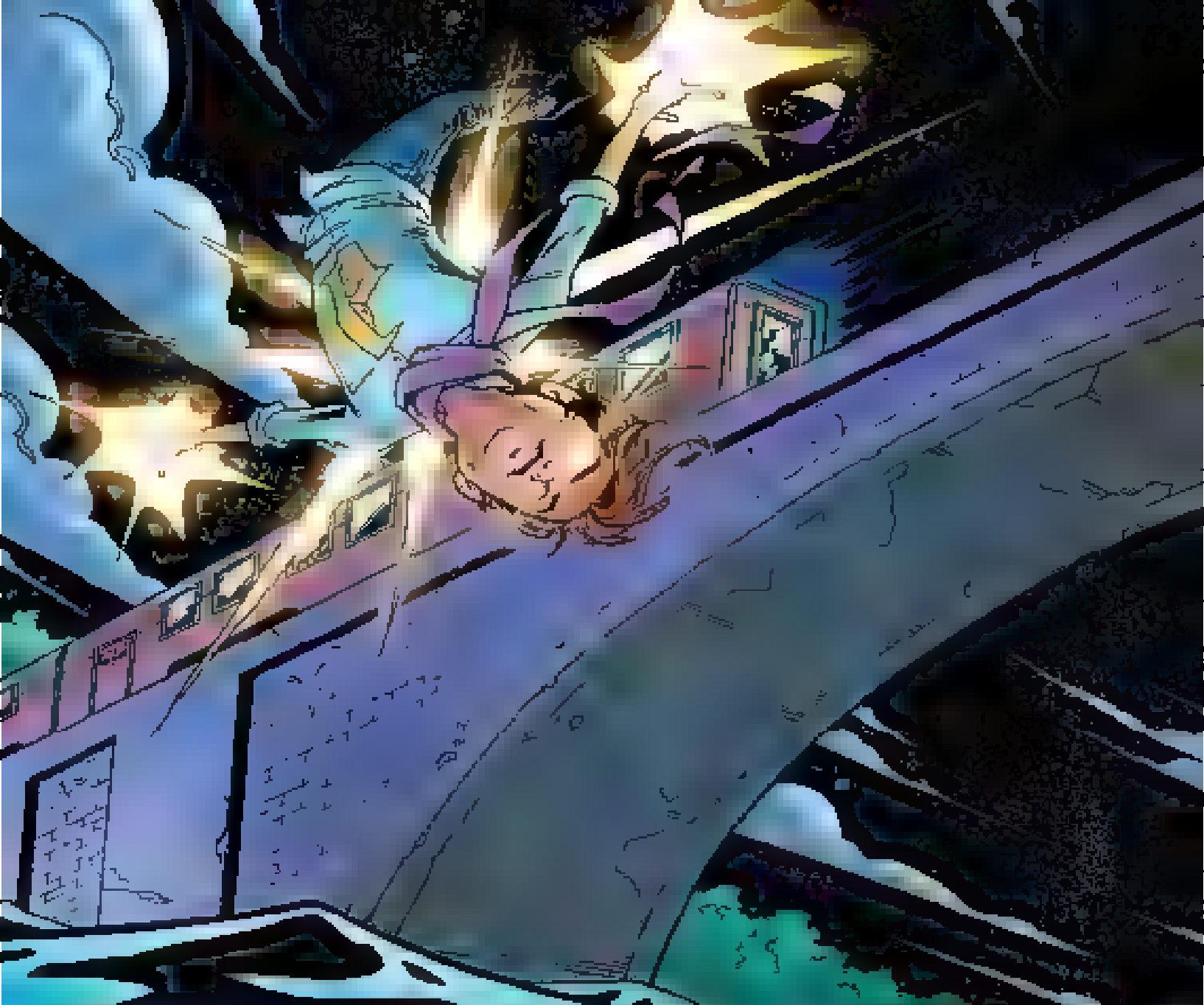


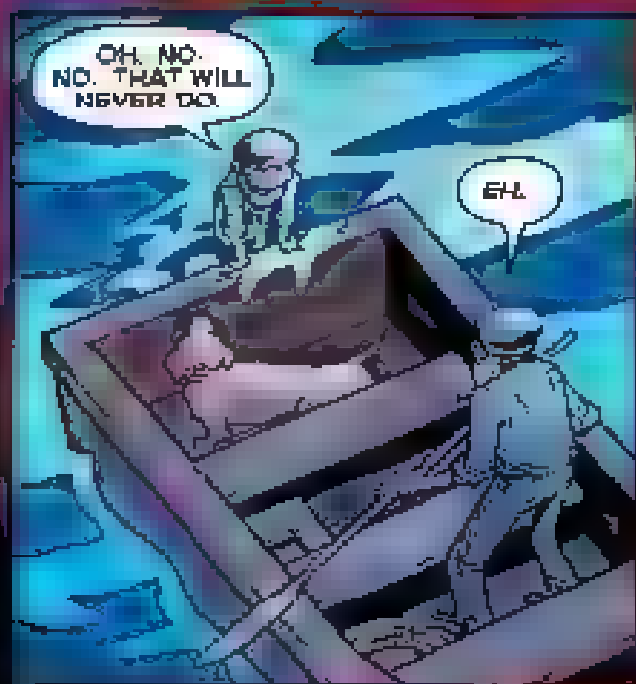
..MUMMY!













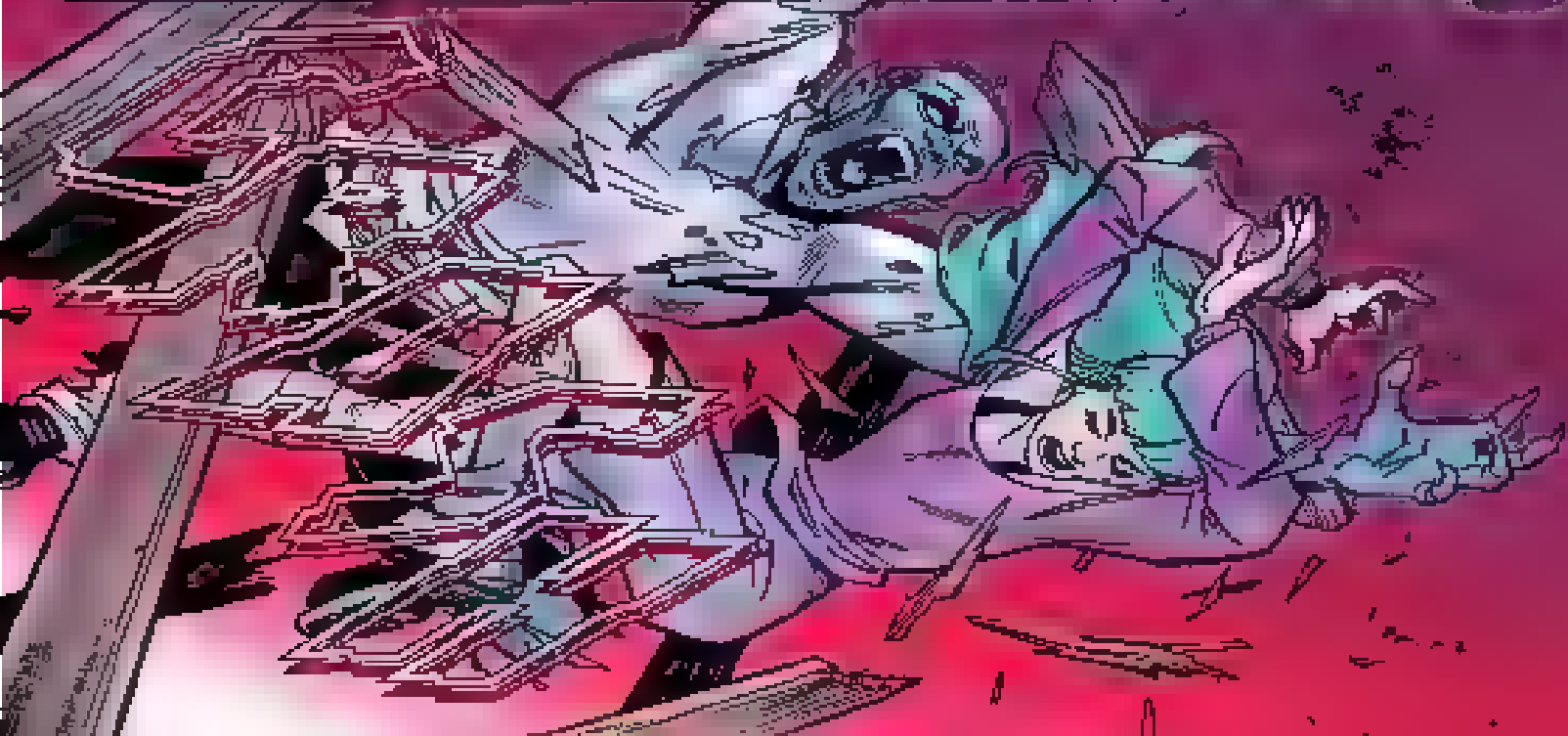
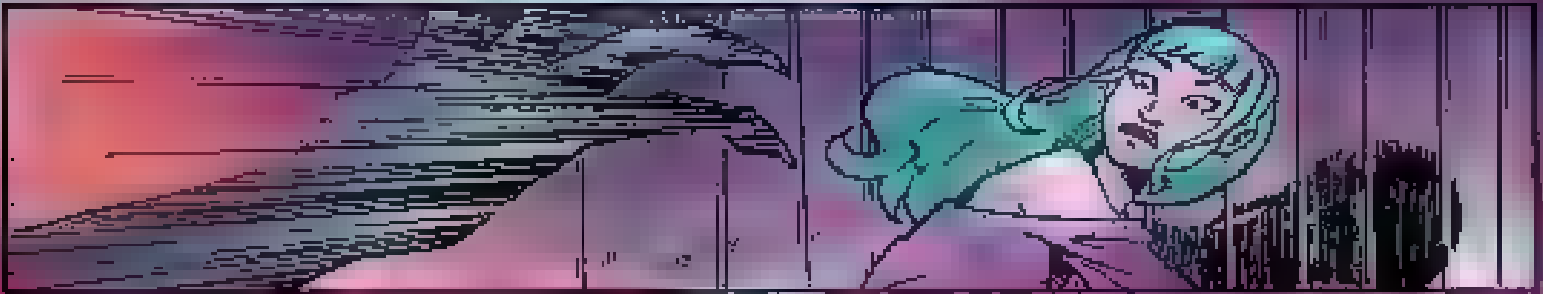
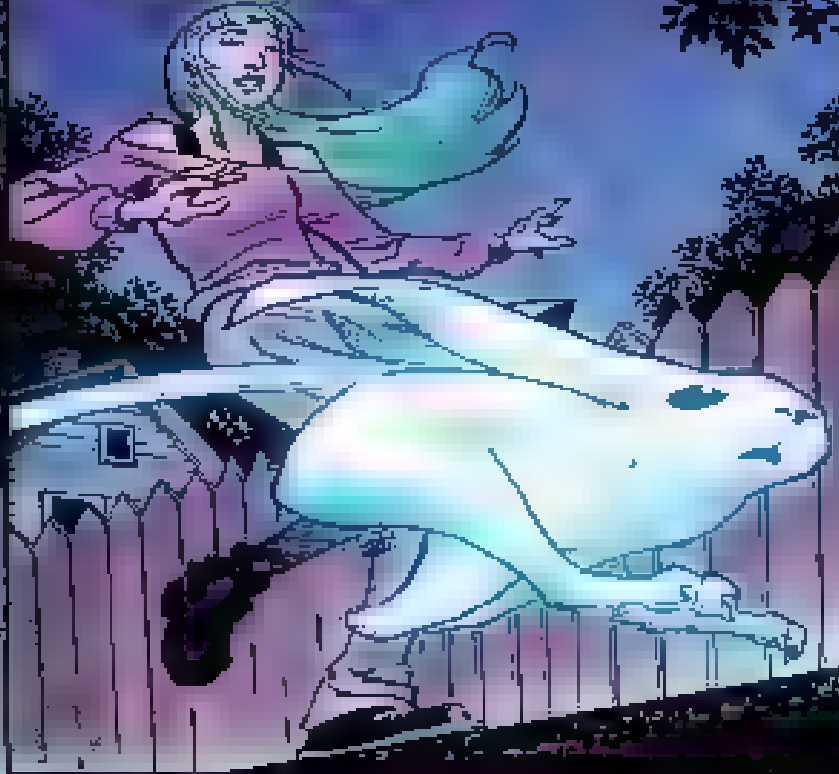
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THIS LOOKS
PERFECT!

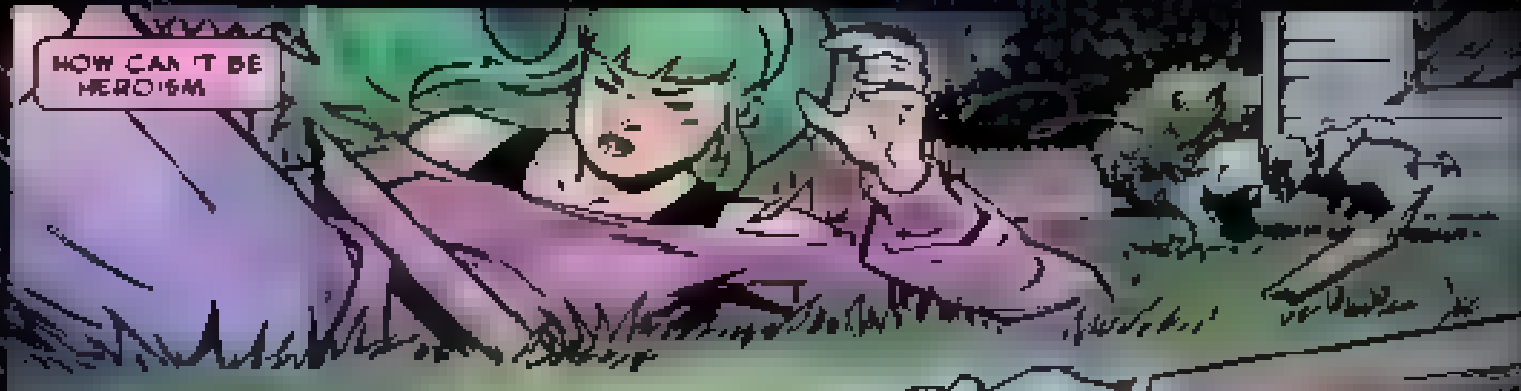
**WELCOME TO
HAKRIPPOON,
DARKHOLD!**
I HOPE IT SURVIVES
THE EXPERIENCE!

I DON'T EVEN
THINK OF IT
AS HEROIC
WHAT I DID.

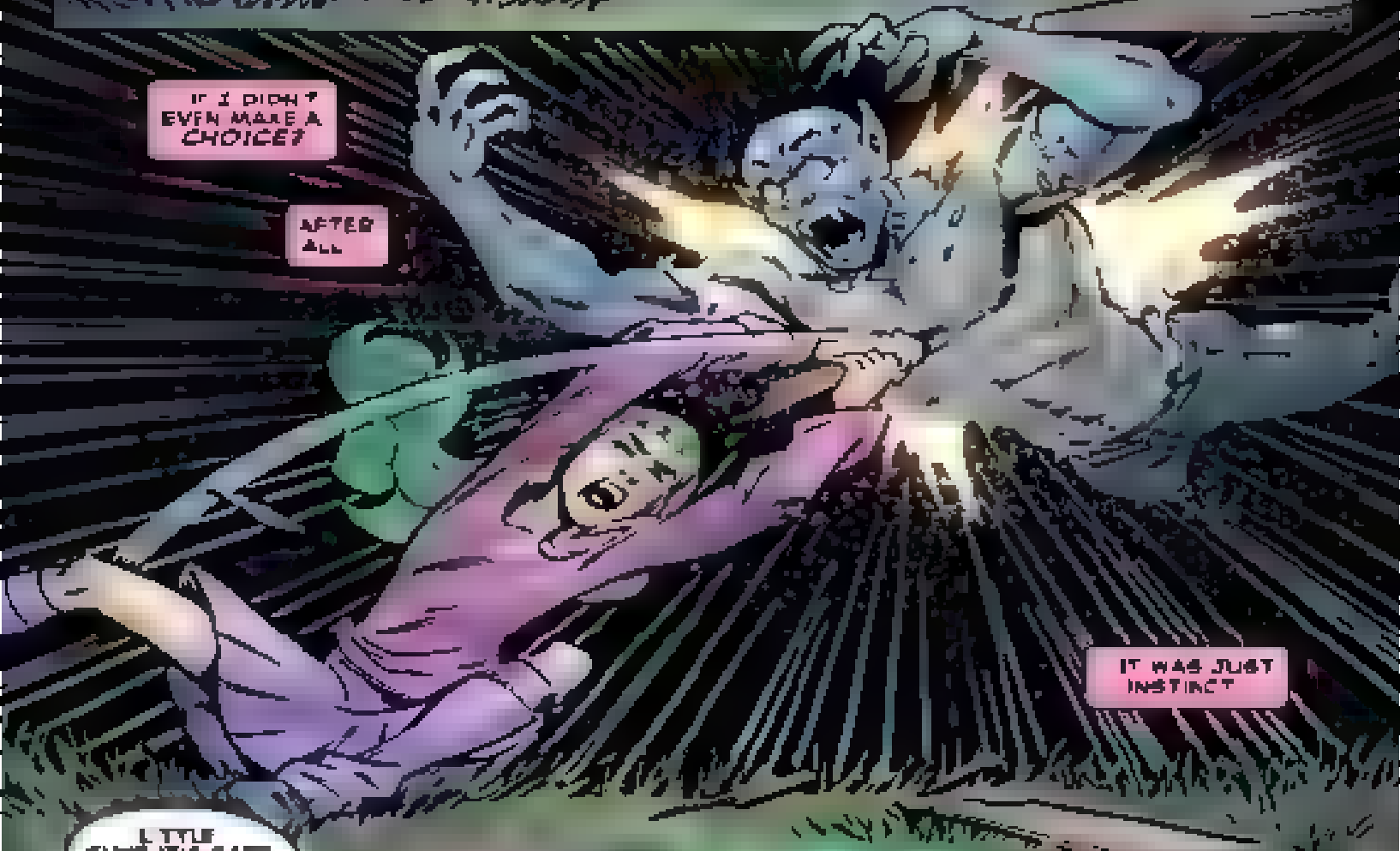


YOU WILL
NOT ESCAPE THE
MASTER, LITTLE
MONSTER!





HOW CAN IT BE
HEROISM



IF I DIDN'T
EVEN MAKE A
CHOICE?

AFTER
ALL

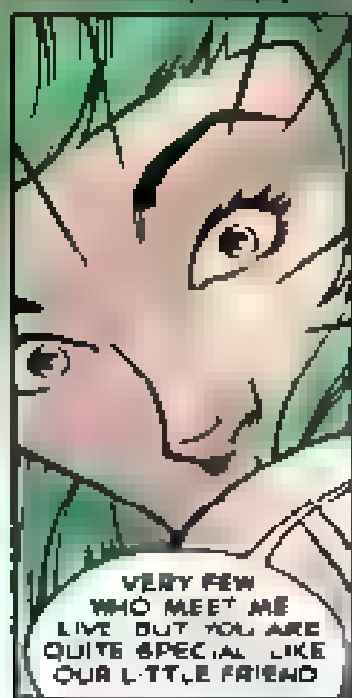
IT WAS JUST
INSTINCT



LITTLE
GUYS? IT'S SAFE
NOW



THE
LITTLE
ONE IS
TOO SMART
TO STICK
AROUND



VERY FEW
WHO MEET ME
LIVE BUT YOU ARE
QUITE SPECIAL LIKE
OUR LITTLE FRIEND



AS SOON AS
I WOKE UP, I KNEW
WHAT I WAS--WHAT
I'D BECOME.

I DON'T KNOW
HOW LONG IT
HAD BEEN.

HURRY, OLD
FRIEND, IT'S ALMOST
SUNDOWN AND THIS
BECOMES A LOT MORE
COMPLICATED IF HE
COMES BACK.



AAAAAAAAHHH!

TSSSSSSSSS

AAAAAAAAHHH!

TSSSSSSSSS

DAMN.
WE'RE TOO
LATE!



YOU CAME BACK FOR ME, TITO PEPING.



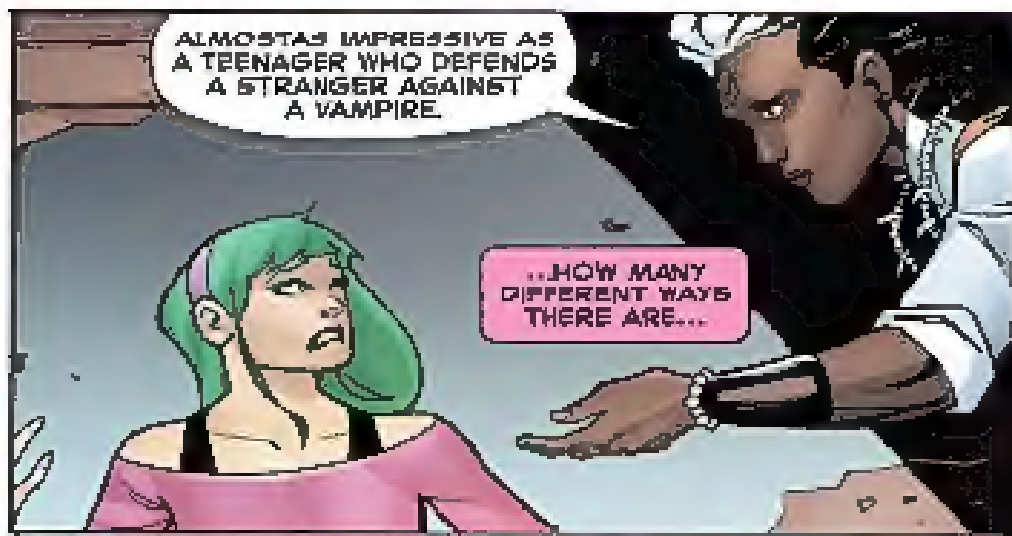
I COMMITTED ONE SILLY RECKLESS ACT.



HUH?

AND EVERY DAY SINCE, YOU REMIND ME...

TITO PEPING CAN SHIELD YOU FROM THE SUN. IMPRESSIVE, NO?



ALMOST AS IMPRESSIVE AS A TEENAGER WHO DEFENDS A STRANGER AGAINST A VAMPIRE.

...HOW MANY DIFFERENT WAYS THERE ARE...



WHILE I TAKE YOU HOME, WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT SOME OTHER REMARKABLE YOUNG PEOPLE I KNOW?

...TO SAVE A LIFE!

END.

BLOOD HUNT

MAY CHECKLIST

■	FREE COMIC BOOK DAY: BLOOD HUNT/X-MEN #1
■	VENGEANCE OF THE MOON KNIGHT #5
■	BLOOD HUNT #1
■	BLOOD HUNT: RED BAND #1
■	AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #49
■	AVENGERS #14
■	BLOOD HUNTERS #1
■	DOCTOR STRANGE #15
■	DRACULA: BLOOD HUNT #1
■	STRANGE ACADEMY: BLOOD HUNT #1
□	VENOM #33
□	AMAZING SPIDER-MAN: BLOOD HUNT #1
□	UNION JACK THE RIPPER: BLOOD HUNT #1
□	BLOOD HUNT #2
□	BLOOD HUNT: RED BAND #2
□	BLACK PANTHER: BLOOD HUNT #1
□	MIDNIGHT SONS: BLOOD HUNT #1

**THE HUNT CONTINUES
IN JUNE...**

NEXT:

STRANGE BLOOD Academy HUNT

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Thank you for joining us with this extension of our beloved **STRANGE ACADEMY**! Our new friend Pia is a **VAMPIRE**!?! Who is the Darkhold kid?! Well, the Strange Academicians are going to get to the bottom of it all, and we hope none of them will die. No matter what, you won't see the end of #2 coming. But before we get to that, enjoy these two stories to better fill you in on Pia and the Darkhold kid!



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